Globalisation and the Spread of Terrorism in Northern and Sub-Saharan Africa: causes and consequences

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Synopsis

The problems of Africa have for so long seemingly been ignored or played down. Poverty, political corruption and the adverse effects of globalisation have taken their toll. This can lead people to a feeling of desperation which leads to a willingness to do anything to escape their fate. A surplus in failed states means an increase in terrorism, transnational crime, and piracy. This work explores the preconditions of terrorism to flourish, and the conditions that are prevalent in regions of Africa.

Figure 1: Showing the Boko Haram bombing in Nigeria, downloaded from http://blogs.cfr.org/campbell/category/terrorism-2/ on the 16 February 2012
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